



Chamber Concert Set for 8

Viennese-born harpsichordist Madame Alice Ehlers will be heard in concert tonight at 8:15 p.m. in the School of Music auditorium. This is the first concert of the 1949-50 Chamber Concert Series.

Madame Ehlers, now a member of the music faculty at the University of Southern California, has appeared as soloist with all of the leading orchestras and conductors and has devoted considerable time to broadcasting. In one season alone, she played more than 30 broadcasts for the BBC in London.

COLLEAGUE OF HINDEMITH

Among the famous musicians with whom she has played and been associated is the celebrated composer and violinist, Paul Hindemith.

Alice Ehlers has been honored by the films, too, having been selected to play the harpsichord during the ballroom scene in the Twentieth-Century Fox production, "Wuthering Heights."

Critics everywhere have praised her performances. Olin Downes of the New York Times wrote; "... Madame Ehlers' performance was a focal point of the occasion. She has, as a harpsichord player, every desirable quality, including amazing virtuosity, precision, capacity to sing a phrase, which is as conspicuous as her clean articulation, taste, and a temperament which carries everything before it."

TICKETS ON SALE

Tickets for tonight's concert and for the rest of the series are on sale now at the Appliance Center, Wilson's Music Store, or from any member of Phi Mu Alpha, Phi Beta, or Mu Phi Epsilon, men's and women's music organizations. Tickets will also be available at the door.

The program for Madame Ehlers' concert is listed on page seven.

Bids Accepted For Heat Plant

Bids totaling slightly less than \$1,000,000 were accepted by the building committee of the State Board of Higher Education in Portland yesterday for construction of a new University heating plant.

The committee also accepted bids for a generating power plant to work in connection with the heating plant. The latter totaled approximately \$150,000.

No formal action was taken by the committee, pending complete study of the bids. Recommendations will be made at a meeting of the State Board of Education Saturday.

The heating plant will be financed by the Oregon Legislature. It is the first major project to come under the \$6,000,000 appropriation for the State System of Higher Education granted by the last legislature.

The new plant will be located across Franklin Boulevard near the University Warehouse.

Viennese Harpsichordist



MADAME ALICE EHLERS, praised by critics for her virtuosity on the harpsichord, will appear tonight in the first Chamber Concert for this year. Complete program is given on page 7.

Music Association Artist Gained Fame 'Hard Way'

By Bob Funk

Baritone Thomas L. Thomas, the Eugene and University Civic Music Association's Thursday-night artist, has come into top musical circles the hard way.

As a child, Thomas lived in the town of Maesteg, Wales. As the son of a coal miner, he deeply felt the class discrimination practiced, in his case, by the more patrician children of the fish-monger and the tailor.

To add to his social distress, singer-to-be Thomas found school life completely unmanageable. He was completely at a loss when it came to mixing ink, a definite necessity, and differentiating between Welsh and American spellings of English words, a problem which arose when his family moved to Scranton, Pennsylvania.

When Thomas turned to a musical career, he found life no easier than in school. It required ninety-six auditions for him to obtain his first independent job as a singer.

Reflecting his background, Thomas will sing a group of Welsh folk-songs during his Thursday concert. The group will include the well known "All Through the Night."

Scholarships Open for Graduate Study in 11 Foreign Countries

The registrar's office has received full and final information and applications for individuals desiring to study abroad on Fulbright foreign scholarships, James D. Kline, assistant registrar, reported Tuesday.

Awards will be open to all graduating seniors and graduate students. Applicants must have their bachelor's degree at the time they take up the scholarship.

Scholarships are available for study in 11 foreign countries for the academic year 1950-51. These are the United Kingdom, Belgium, Burma, The Netherlands, Philippines, Greece, New Zealand, Italy,

France, Iran, and Norway.

This is the second year in which American students will have the opportunity of competing for the awards, which provide travel, tuition, and maintenance for one year abroad. The awards are made available as a result of Public Law 584, 78th Congress (the Fulbright Act).

Information and application blanks may be obtained from Kline's office.

Kline urges interested individuals to make application soon, as the deadline is Nov. 30. Information and application blanks may be

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VA Demands Return Of All Books, Supplies For Dropped Courses

The Veterans Administration demands return of all books and supplies secured by veterans this fall who have dropped classes or withdrawn from school, stated James D. Kline, assistant registrar, Monday.

This ruling may affect from one-third to one-half of the student body, as 2109 veterans are enrolled at the present time. Total University enrollment is 5817.

An auditor from the Veterans Administration told the University that they must adhere strictly to a ruling contained in the University's contract with the Administration. This ruling states that all books and supplies issued to veterans for a given term will be returned in cases where:

(1) Veterans drop courses during the term, (2) withdraw completely from school before completing courses, or (3) desire to return books and supplies because they are no longer needed.

Formerly, an informal arrangement existed whereby veterans dropping courses within the first two weeks of classes were requested to return books and supplies to the Co-op.

NEW RULING IN EFFECT

It was assumed, stated Kline, that the former plan, approved by the Administration last year, would be followed this year. Consequently, the University was not aware of the return ruling earlier. Also, in the past it was possible for veterans to keep supplies on basis of further need.

Previous to this year all educational institutions were allowed their choice of several plans in regard to this matter, but now, as far as Kline knows, the same procedure will be followed throughout the United States.

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Kline emphasized the fact that the University acts as an agency of the government in this matter and has no control over government rulings. Books and supplies issued by the government do not legally become property of the veterans until after the course is finished at the end of the term.

Books and supplies returned will not become property of the Co-op. They will be considered United States government property and placed in a separate section of the Co-op. Only veterans will use returned material.

DROP CARDS PROCESSED

Registration workers in Emerald Hall are now in the process of going through drop cards and determining which veterans will be required to return materials. These will be personally notified as to the situation.

"It will greatly facilitate the whole procedure if veterans are aware that they have dropped classes or withdrawn from school will go immediately to the Co-op with the items to be returned," said Kline. The Co-op will have a list of the books and supplies.

All unused material must be returned, Kline emphasized. There will be no distinction made as to expendable or non-expendable materials.

Details Released On Sign Contest For Homecoming

Contest rules, judging points, and judges for the Homecoming Sign Contest have been announced by Chairman Steve Church.

Deadline for completion of signs is 5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 18. Judging will begin shortly after this.

Itemized lists of expenditures must be ready for presentation to judges when they make their rounds. The \$30 limit on sign expenses will be rigidly followed, Church said.

Four points will form basis for judging. Of equal value, they include originality; effort (amount of work); adherence to central theme (Oregon—Then, Now, and Tomorrow); and impressiveness.

New cups for winners in men's and women's divisions will go on display Monday in the Co-op. Local merchants will contribute merchandise for second and third prizes in each division.

Judges will be Loy W. Rowling, vice-president of the First National Bank and vice-president of the Oregon Dads' Club; C. A. Swarts, Lane County Sheriff; Sidney W. Little, dean of the school of architecture and allied arts; S. T. Ford, assistant professor of business administration; and Donald Boyd, graduate assistant in the art school.

Judges will make two judging rounds this year, taking a second look at the signs that impress them most on the first trip.

House sign chairmen are now being contacted to make sure there will be no duplication in the signs, Church said.

Alumni Party Planned at Cal

A pre-game party for Oregon alumni and their guests is planned for Friday night, in San Francisco.

The affair, to be held in the Scottish Rite club at 1270 Sutter street, near Van Ness avenue, will begin at 5:30. Fifty cents admission will be charged. The University band will be on hand to help with the festivities.

Walter Hempy, president of the San Francisco Alumni Club of the University of Oregon Alumni Association, will be in charge of the party.